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EXAMINER: Binda, Gregory John

FOR: "Cam Bar Centering Mechanism"

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated 11 September 2003. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by 11 December 2003. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response for 1 month from 11 December 2003 to 11 January 2004. A \$110 check for the fee is enclosed.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

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